

## DISASTER NEWS

Loans for Homeowners, Renters and Businesses of All Sizes
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## SBA Urges Private Non-Profit Organizations To Apply For Disaster Assistance Before July 18; Adds Ballard and Hickman Counties

**ATLANTA.** - The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) is reminding Private Non-Profit organizations (PNPs) that do not provide critical services of a governmental nature that the filing deadline for SBA low interest rate disaster loans is **July 18, 2008.** SBA also announces that the counties of **Ballard and Hickman** in the Commonwealth of Kentucky have been added to the declaration. These loans are available as a result of Presidential disaster declaration for Public Assistance resulting from damages caused by severe storms, tornadoes, flooding mudslides, and landslides on April 3 - 4, 2008.

PNPs located in Anderson, Ballard, Crittenden, Fleming, Fulton, Hancock, Hickman, Hopkins, Lewis, Livingston, McLean, Nicholas, Ohio, Spencer and Woodford counties in the Commonwealth of Kentucky are eligible to apply to SBA. Examples of eligible non-critical PNP organizations include, but are not limited to, food kitchens, homeless shelters, museums, libraries, community centers, schools and colleges.

"PNP organizations are urged to contact their County Emergency Managers to obtain information about local briefings. At the meeting, PNP representatives will provide information about their organization," said Frank Skaggs, Director of SBA Field Operations Center East.

This information will be used to submit a "Request for Public Assistance" which FEMA uses to determine if the PNP provides an essential governmental service and meets the definition of a "critical facility." Based upon that conclusion, FEMA will either refer the PNP to SBA for disaster loan assistance or possibly provide a "Public Assistance" reimbursement grant for eligible costs.

Disaster loan information and application forms may be obtained by calling the SBA's Disaster Assistance Customer Service Center at 1-800-659-2955 (for the hearing-impaired 1-800-877-8339) Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. EDT, or by emailing our customer service center at <a href="mailto:disastercustomerservice@sba.gov">disastercustomerservice@sba.gov</a>. Applications can also be downloaded from <a href="www.sba.gov/services/disasterassistance">www.sba.gov/services/disasterassistance</a>. Completed applications should be mailed to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

The deadline to apply for these loans is July 18, 2008.